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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **under C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Sir:

For replying to the Office action dated **June 1, 2006** in the patent application identified above, Applicant(s) hereby requests an extension of time of **one month**, from **September 1, 2006** to **October 2, 2006** (the first business day following the Sunday, October 1, 2006 date that is one calendar month from the mailing date of the Office action).

Accompanying this paper is a Fee Transmittal, indicating the \$120 fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) for reply within the first month. Form PTO-2038 to make payment of the fee by credit card is attached to the Fee Transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

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